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## FINANCIAL SERVICES REPUBLICAN MORNING CLIPS 5.17.2010

Wall Street Journal: "Wall Street Scrambles for ShoreBank's Survival ... Negotiators from several big Wall Street banks worked through the weekend to rescue a storied Chicago lender from closure by regulators amid signs of progress on the private portion of a public-private bailout."

Wall Street Journal: "Bailouts Save Day, Win Scorn ... The world has had a terrifying brush with another Great Depression. Although the recent scare in Europe is a reminder that this isn't over yet, it looks like we've escaped that-in no small measure because of taxpayer-financed bailouts and fiscal stimulus, as maligned and imperfect as they were."

Wall Street Journal: "Learning From History on Financial Reform ... Congress is moving to enact far-reaching changes in the financial regulatory system. We need far-reaching changes. The problem is that we don't need many of the specific far-reaching changes we're about to receive."

Wall Street Journal: "The Fed's Monetary Dissident ... In the aftermath of the 2008 financial panic centered on Wall Street, it's easy to forget that this part of America has its own bitter history of wild speculation that ended in disaster. But Kansas City Federal Reserve Bank President Thomas Hoenig remembers the 1970s all too well. It was a lesson that still shapes his thinking about the role of the Fed's monetary policy in creating asset bubbles."

Washington Post: "Obama's terms for financial overhaul remain mostly intact ... The Senate this week could hand President Obama his second major legislative victory of the year, both on administration priorities that seemed in doubt not long ago."

Washington Post: "TARP becomes prime target for senators facing reelection battles ... It was the chant heard around the Senate: Angry GOP delegates in Utah calling out "TARP! TARP! TARP!" as they tossed Sen. Robert F. Bennett from the primary ballot, punishment for the veteran lawmaker's 2008 vote to bail out the financial sector."

Washington Post: "Despite audit, Federal Reserve's scope may widen with Senate bill ... As the debate over how to overhaul financial regulation heated up last year, there was one thing Democrats and Republicans seemed to agree on: that the Federal Reserve had made major mistakes that contributed to the financial crisis and needed to have its wings clipped."

NY Times: "Speedy New Traders Make Waves Far From Wall St. ... Above the Restoration Hardware in this Jersey Shore town, not far from the Navesink River, lurks a Wall Street giant."

NY Times: "Stonewalled by the S.E.C. ... On President Obama's first full day in office, he struck a much-needed symphonic chord in favor of press freedom, openness and a willingness to err on the side of sharing too much information rather than too little."

NY Times: "Is Ben Bernanke Having Fun Yet? ... NINE days ago, Ben S. Bernanke, the Federal Reserve chairman, caught a Friday-night flight from here so he could address 1,100 graduates at the University of South Carolina the next morning about "The Economics of Happiness.""

LA Times: "Investment banks aren't required to act in clients' best interest ... At a congressional hearing a couple of weeks ago, Sen. Susan Collins of Maine asked a lineup of current and former Goldman Sachs executives a simple

question: Did they have a duty to act in their clients', not their firm's, best interest?"

LA Times: "Consumer champions gain wins on financial overhaul ... Consumer advocates have scored some surprising victories in the overhaul of financial regulations that's gaining momentum in Congress, but amendments to be considered in the coming days will go a long way toward shaping the sweeping measure."

Washington Times: "EDITORIAL: Bailing out foreign banks ... House Republicans introduced legislation last week to prohibit U.S. taxpayer funds from being used to bail out a teetering European economy, especially upside-down Greece."

Forbes: "Bailouts Have Discouraged Banks From Lending ... According to Federal Reserve statistics, U.S. banks have reduced corporate lending in each of the last 12 months. A still uncertain economic outlook explains some of this, but an arguably bigger factor are the bank bailouts that commentators on the left and right deemed necessary in order to save the economy."

Politico: "Nightmare on Wall Street ... The Wall Street reform bill is taking that rarest of paths through the Senate - actually gaining tougher provisions against the industry as it proceeds, not being watered down to win votes as health care reform was."

The Hill: "Senate Democrats to battle over strength of Wall Street reform bill ... Democratic senators will battle among themselves this week over whether to strengthen a Wall Street reform bill that has already met stiff resistance from Republicans and industry lobbyists."

The Hill: "Obama: Wall Street reform needed to protect from downturn ... President Barack Obama is stressing the need to pass a bill overhauling the financial services industry in order to avoid another economic crisis."